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All we ask is: How can we in the same breath defend the rights of all people to make the decisions that effect their lives, and help the CIA recruit young men and women from our campus? Are we being responsible for the freedom we say we stand for? The CIA has overthrown democratically elected governments in Guatemala, Ghana, and the Dominican Republic. The CIA has tried to overthrow numerous other democratically elected governments - such as Costa Rica's and Singapore's. A CIA coup overthrew Premier Mossadeq in Iran (1954). The CIA, as is well known, controlled the genocidal regime of Ngo Dinh Diem in South Vietnam. Its leadership in the hands of the power elite, the CIA has attempted many other less well publicized coups and intrigues.

The CIA may even control a country so as to make it a base for CIA activities; such was the case in Guatemala, where, in 1961, the CIA trained Cuban exiles and Americans for the Bay of Pigs fiasco. In 1953 President Arbenz tried to give unused United Fruit Co. land to peasants. The CIA overthrew his government. It is more than coincidental that then-CIA director Allan Dulles had been President of the United Fruit Co. Dulles' predecessor in the CIA directorship, General Walter Beddell Smith, became a United Fruit Co. Vice-President the year after the coup, 1955. The United Fruit Company, which "owns" Guatemala, rewards its servants well.

Domestically, among other juicy activities, the CIA infiltrated and controlled the funds (and therefore most of the international programs) of The National Student Association. The CIA sent "clean" student leaders all over the world to disrupt and ruin foreign international student meetings which delegates from Communist nations attended. These activities have been well documented in Ramparts and the Village Voice (July 6, 1967-Podd Gitlen and Bob Ross). For further information call the CIA in St. Louis at: 1A-1-6902. But remember that the CIA, created by the National Security Act of 1947, "shall have no police, subpoena, law enforcement powers, or internal security functions...." Why, then, does the CIA have offices in every major American city? Why does the CIA have a secret budget that cannot be reviewed and cut by Congress? Why is that budget over 4,000,000,000 dollars, tax dollars, a year?

The CIA is an Invisible Government (as described in Wise and Ross's Invisible Government, Bantam paperback, 95¢). It carries out and often initiates subversive activities under false covers and without the knowledge of the other foreign and domestic policy-making units of our government. The CIA contracted University of Michigan scientists to build new infra-red devices to be used to locate and destroy guerrilla forces in the densest jungle. These devices, tested in Thailand and Vietnam, were used by U.S.A. Special Forces (Green Berets) in Bolivia to locate and wipe out Che Guevara's guerrilla band. (See Albert G. Sugerman's article in the New Republic, Nov. 9, 1968). Many more universities work with the CIA, though their public relations men may deny any ties.

Students who wish to attend interviews with the Invisible Government will do so. However, these people must realize that their potential employer considers "a good day's work for a good day's pay." Rev. William Sloane Coffin has said: "Freedom must be informed freedom." Everyone must ask embarrassing questions. Everyone must keep on asking until he is satisfied that he has the facts. Then he must choose.

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SDS meeting: 8:00 Monday for discussion of action on Tuesday.

Men's Hi-rise, 2nd floor lounge.